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Boil the water you drink.

THE weather seems to set against the market street improvement.

GREAT calamities have their great uses. They bring out the really great in human nature.

It is a cold heart that longs to be in Johnston merely to look on. From all such Johnston begs to be delivered.

WHEELING gives in comparatively small amounts, the highest being two subscriptions of \$200 each, but she acted promptly and handsomely.

How these calamities break down partisan and sectional lines and bring out the common love of humanity! They are almost worth their terrible cost.

THE Cambria Iron Company, the heaviest sufferer of all, gives to the other sufferers \$20,000 and the grateful notice that its works are to be rebuilt at once.

A fine combination of charity and enterprise.

SENATOR GORMAN says that the Chesapeake and Ohio canal is so out to pieces that it will have to be abandoned. Senator Gorman has long had his eye on that big ditch as a bed for a railroad to the seaboard.

THE labor and cost of clearing up the flood wreck will go beyond anything of the kind ever known in this country. Wheeling and her neighbors have had some experience in this line and can appreciate the cost.

THE iron and steel workers at Carnegie's Homestead works respond to Johnston's appeal with a donation of \$10,000. These men have recently been notified of a reduction in their wages. Hurray for the men of Homestead!

EVERY family can boil the drinking water. Just now the river water is not fit to be taken into the stomach unless it has been boiled. Remember that absolutely clear water may be absolutely impure water, containing the seeds of death.

IT is well for all us that Pennsylvania has a well organized and effective Board of Health, and that the authorities of Pittsburgh are resolved to do all in their power to keep off the pestilence. In this locality we are not so remote from Johnston as to be out of danger from the contaminated water.

THE Mill river reservoir, which broke in 1874 and cut so wide and deep a gash in a populous part of Massachusetts, held one million tons of water. The South Fork dam held sixty millions of water. Instead of sixteen as at first stated. It is safe to predict that the Conemaugh Valley will never again be swept by the bursting of that dam.

THE Purifying Flames.

It seems an awful thing for human bodies by the hundreds, perhaps by the thousands, to be burned in a mass; but this is really good worse than to burn them one by one in a crematory. Naturally the surviving people of Johnston were averse to permitting the flames to dispose of their dead friends and loved ones.

Yet in view of all the circumstances, the probability that few of the bodies in the burning rubbish can ever be recognized, that they must at last be disposed of somehow, and that the living for miles down that valley and the greater Ohio water basin are already seriously threatened, nothing better can happen than the entire and speedy burning of the whole mass of debris and the bodies which lie in it.

THE Heroes of the Flood.

There are heroes of the great flood of whom the world will never know, for they have gone down to their death. The dispatches have told of some of these without naming them. They did what they could and the terrible waterswept them on and buried them in the wreck.

In the frenzy of those awful moments mothers tried to place their babes where they might escape, kissed them a last good-bye, and let go of life. Indeed the women of the flood-swept region, with that fortitude their sex is wont to show in hour of trial, displayed a heroism which rises above the courage that armies show in battle.

In such times valor of the loftiest character and of the most practical effect is found where it is least expected. The accounts tell of a young man twenty-seven years of age at the peril of his own life, braving a perilous journey to the battle line, where he was shot and killed. This young man's gallantry on a field of frightful slaughter is a thrilling story of saving.

Up to this time he had been so mild and modest that nothing heroic was expected of him. Perhaps he had never been seen standing on the street corners spitting tobacco and talking loud. It required a supreme moment to arouse him from his manhood, and when that came the hero was there. These things make us proud to be civilized men and women.

THE Feast of Shewah.

The Israelites celebrate to-day the feast of Shewah, or Pentecost, which commemorates the promulgation of the law, which according to the Bible was revealed on this day, the sixth day of the month of Sivan. It is also called in Scripture "Jom haikvrim"—the day of the first fruits—because after the harvest was over the first fruits were

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